

SUPPORT FOR THE AMENDMENT

Claim 1 has been amended to further define limitations relative to the substituents X₁, X₂ and X₃.

Support for the amendment of Claims 18-20 is found on page 4, line 22, in the specification.

No new matter will be added by entry of this amendment.

Claims 1-20 remain pending in this application.

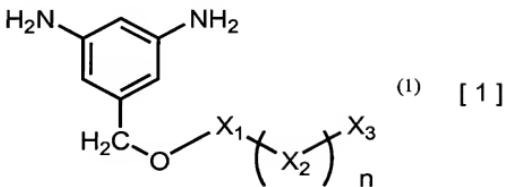
REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Applicants wish to thank Examiners Chukwuma O. Nwaonicha and Jafar Parsa for the courteous and helpful discussion of this application with Applicants, U.S. representatives on June 28, 2007. The following is intended to expand upon the discussion with the Examiner.

The rejection of Claim 1 under 35 USC 103(a) over Wu et al. is respectfully traversed.

Applicants note that Claim 1 is herein amended to recite limitations wherein the compound of formula 1 cannot be a simple disubstituted halogen derivative such as the 5-(3,4-dichlorophenoxy)methyl)benzene-1,3-diamine intermediate disclosed in the cited reference.

As amended, Claim 1 now recites that when n=0, X₃ is a member selected from the group consisting of a C₁₋₃₂ alkyl group, a C₁₋₃₂ alkoxy group, a C₁₋₃₂ fluoroalkyl group, a C₁₋₃₂ fluoroalkoxy group and a cyano group. Wu et al. neither discloses nor suggests a diaminobenzene derivative represented by the formula (1):



wherein X_1 and X_2 are each independently a monocyclic group selected from a benzene ring, a cyclohexane ring and a heterocyclic ring, wherein optional hydrogen atom(s) on the monocyclic group may be substituted by substituent(s) selected from the group consisting of a C_{1-3} alkyl group, a C_{1-3} alkoxy group, a C_{1-3} fluoroalkyl group, a C_{1-3} fluoroalkoxy group, and a cyano group; n is an integer of 0 or 1; and when $n = 0$, and X_3 is a member selected from the group consisting of a C_{1-32} alkyl group, a C_{1-32} alkoxy group, a C_{1-32} fluoroalkyl group, a C_{1-32} fluoroalkoxy group, and a cyano group, and when $n = 1$, X_3 is a member selected from the group consisting of a C_{1-32} alkyl group, a C_{1-32} alkoxy group, a C_{1-32} fluoroalkyl group, a C_{1-32} fluoroalkoxy group, a fluorine atom, a chlorine atom, a bromine atom and a cyano group.

Applicants therefore respectfully submit that the cited reference does not anticipate or render obvious the diaminobenzene derivatives of the claimed invention and withdrawal of the rejection of Claim 1 under 35 USC 103(a) over Wu et al. is respectfully requested.

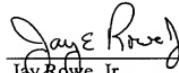
The objection to Claims 18-20 is obviated by appropriate amendment. The claims have been amended to replace "layer" with "film" which is supported in the specification.

Applicants thank Examiner Nwaonicha for the indication that Claims 2-17 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicants respectfully submit that the amendment of Claim 1 obviates the objection to Claims 2-17 and therefore the Claims are allowable as written.

Applicants submit that the present above identified application is now in condition for allowance and early notice of such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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